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Dr. Joshua Lederberg
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Dear Dr. Lederberg,

At a time when Israel, as a state, faces enemies both from within and from without, one cannot sufficiently evaluate the feeling which every citizen of Israel carries in the knowledge that we are not alone. No Venice Conference and no United Nations resolutions have any effect so long as we know that people like you stand behind us with rocklike steadfastness.

It is your encouragement and warmth of feeling for Israel in general and for the Technion in particular that give us the strength, the courage and the ability to face the difficult economic and political situation in which our country and our institution find themselves.

We must also not forget that throughout our history we have had to endure more difficult times than those we are passing through now, and then, we did not have the united strength and might of a State of Israel. Let us, therefore, not lose heart nor weaken our resolve to stand firm - that resolve which is ours and yours together.

It was a pleasure and a great honour to have spent some time with you. Your opinions and thoughts on the matters we discussed will serve to guide us in our future actions.

I want to thank you again for your interest and concern, and hope that we can turn to you again for your help at all times.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

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